



Proclamation

In Recognition of

The 11th Annual Hawai'i TRIO Day

WHEREAS, TRIO is a set of federally-funded college opportunity programs that motivate and support students from disadvantaged backgrounds to overcome social, academic and cultural barriers to higher education; and

WHEREAS, TRIO programs (Upward Bound, Talent Search & Student Support Services) are designed to provide a path to the economic empowerment of our people through education, helping disadvantaged, low-income students or first-generation college bound students to adapt and prepare for the academic rigor of post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, the Upward Bound and Talent Search programs serve high school students through dropout prevention, tutoring, summer programs, college admission and financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Student Support Services program helps underrepresented students and students with disabilities to work towards successful completion of post-secondary education or move from two-year to four-year colleges; and

WHEREAS, the Upward Bound Math & Science program provides students interested in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) fields with assistance in developing their potential, encourage them to pursue post-secondary degrees in math and science, and prepare them for success in the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers programs provide counseling and information on college admissions to recently unemployed or underemployed adults who want to enter or continue a program of postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, colleges and universities in Hawai'i have been beneficiaries of the TRIO project since 1965; and

WHEREAS, the University of Hawai'i received upwards of \$6,150,355 in U.S. Department of Education grants to service over 5,700 students across the state this year;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim February 24, 2018 as

“HAWAI'I TRIO DAY”

and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the accomplishments made by TRIO participants over the years and recognize the invaluable impact TRIO programs have in our local communities.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twentieth day of February 2018.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i